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No Discrimination.

Mr. Lodge—Mr. President, I examined that provision with the most anxious care, for I was in strong hopes that I could find something in it, something which would enable the President to impose the duties provided for in section 5 in the case of the payment of the Canadian bounty, but there is nothing in the wording of that section which gives him any power to do it. There is nothing discriminatory against the United States either in the duty that Canada imposes or the bounty she pays. To give the President power to act under section 5 there has to be a discrimination, and there is no discrimination here. It operates against us.

The Vice President—The yeas and nays have been ordered on agreeing to the amendment proposed by the Senator from Massachusetts, and the secretary will call the roll.

The secretary proceeded to call the roll, and the result was announced—Yeas 27, nays 36.

Mr. Nelson.—Is it not a fact, too, that in respect to Newfoundland fishing is the only industry of any consequence, and unless it is fortified and maintained there hardly anybody will be left on the island?

Mr. Lodge.—What the Senator says is absolutely true. I was about to make that statement.

Mr. Nelson.—And it is such a distinct and important industry that I imagine that is one reason why Newfoundland did not enter the Dominion. Newfoundland is not a part of the Dominion Government today.

Mr. Lodge.—No; it is not in the Dominion.

Mr. Nelson.—It is an independent Province, distinct from all the other Canadian Provinces; and I think the fishing industry is the main cause of that. It is the life of the country.

Mr. Lodge.—It is; and the Senator, I think, is quite right in saying that they stayed out of the Dominion Government largely because they wished, if possible, to make separate arrangements with us, which they have been trying to do through reciprocity treaties. Now, we are going to give our market to them for nothing. Fishing is really the only industry of Newfoundland that is of the slightest consequence.

It is the only industry and in Newfoundland the vessels are all owned by what are known as the planters; that is, they are men of capital and corporations in St. Johns. They own the entire fishing fleet; and the inhabitants of the west coast, who do a great deal of the fishing there, are in a state of the greatest poverty. In fact, it was made an issue in one of the recent elections in Newfoundland.

Run Their Boats Cheaper.

I do not know about the comparative labor cost. I made no attempt to show any difference in labor cost between the Canadian fishermen and the American fishermen; but there is no question that the Newfoundland boats, run as they are, and all in the hands of these rich owners in St. Johns, are run very much cheaper than ours, and I rather think somewhat cheaper than the Canadian boats; and, of course, they come in, too. They have besides the natural geographical advantage of neighborhood.

Mr. Dillingham—I find also, while the Senator is speaking on that subject, that—

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Best Men In Navy.

I asked an admiral of the navy about those men. He said, "When they were the best men we could possibly get. We did not have to teach them anything. The moment they were on board the ship they knew the whole thing. You could put them into a boat and send them anywhere to do anything. They had to learn about big guns, and that was all." He told me that most of them rose to be boatswains and warrant officers at once.

They are a good population. They are a hardy, hard-working population. They carry on their industry at the risk of their lives in the gray and stormy seas of the North Atlantic. I think they are the kind of population it is well to encourage, just as it is well to encourage the men of the farm.

I am not saying what I do as to the danger to the northeastern fisheries as a matter of alarm. There is not any question about it; it is utterly impossible for our people to carry on the bank fisheries in competition with the bounty-fed fisheries of Canada and the poorly paid fisheries of Newfoundland. We can not do it. The bank fishermen of New England, of Massachusetts and Maine, where most of them are, will go out of existence.

I can see no reason whatever, on any principle of revenue or of protection or of free trade, for handing over our industries to our neighbors on the north who see fit to give a bounty to their fishermen. I can not see any reason for it, except, I suppose, that it is thought it would make an engaging cry upon the stump. That seems to be, as far as I can make out, the one coherent principle that runs through this bill. Will it make a pleasant cry when you get on the stump? "We have given you free fish; we have not cheapened it, but we have given you free fish. We have given you free sugar; we have not cheapened it, but you have free sugar. We have taken the duty off meat and off wheat, and so on." They will not lower the price by doing it. But it makes a pleasant cry upon the stump; and I can see no principle in such a plan as this, putting fish on the free list, except the principle of

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BUT ONE FARE OF GROUND FISH

At T Wharf This Morning—
Quite a Lot of Mackerel
In Though.

Aside from the fares of mackerel at wharf this morning, the Boston market would have closed very quietly indeed.

One small groundfishermen and two mackerelermen was all that was in, being generally quiet.

Wholesale dealers offered \$2 a hundred pounds for haddock, \$3.50 for cod, \$2.25 for markets, and 9 cents a pound for swordfish.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail

John Topsail Girl, 66 swordfish.
John Appomattox, 1300 haddock, 23,000 cod, 4 swordfish, 3000 pollock.
Mrs. Mary F. Ruth, 5000 small fresh mackerel, 10 bbls. salt mackerel.
The Enterprise, 3500 small fresh mackerel, 3500 tinker fresh mackerel.
John Alert, 10,000 small fresh mackerel, 8 swordfish.
Mrs. Lois H. Corkum, 4500 small fresh mackerel, 4000 tinker fresh mackerel.
Mrs. Bessie M. Dugan, 2500 small mackerel, 2000 tinker fresh mackerel.

John Gelsa, 5000 small fresh mackerel, 5000 tinker fresh mackerel.

John Venture, 5000 small fresh mackerel.

John On Time, 5000 small fresh mackerel.

John Boyd and Leeds, 30 swordfish, haddock, \$2 per cwt.; large cod, market cod, \$2.25; swordfish, 9c per lb.; fresh mackerel, large 25c each, small 14c per lb.; tinkers 4c lb.

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SHACK TOOK A JUMP TODAY

Prices on fresh shack went to smash Saturday when the trip of sch. John Hays Hammond, Capt. Archie McLeod sold to William H. Jordan & Co., at \$1.10 a hundred weight for hake, \$1.70 for large and \$1.30 for medium cusk and \$2.35 and \$2 for large and medium cod.

This is an advance of 10 cents on hake and large Western cod and 20 cents on large and medium cusk.

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To Put Up Smokehouse.

The Gorton-Pew Company are erecting a smoke house at Woods Island where they will cure herring and other fish by that process.—Western Star.

Fitting For Shacking.

Capt. Philip Osborne will now take command of sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., in the shack fishery.

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SIX HALIBUT TRIPS ON MARKET

Five Sold Here This Forenoon While the Other Went to Boston.

With the arrival of three more halibut trips over Sunday, six fares and all were at this port this forenoon, which gave the dealers an abundance of supply.

The new arrivals are schs. Georgia, Capt. John G. Stream with 18,000 pounds; Waldo L. Stream, Capt. Frank Stream, 20,000 pounds; Gov. Foss, 8000 pounds. The latter has a big shack fare of fresh and salt fish, while the other two have small mixed fresh fares as well.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds is here with 30,000 pounds of salt cod from a drifting trip and sch. W. H. Rider, from Georges, handlining, with 10,000 pounds salt cod.

During the forenoon schs. Theodore Roosevelt and Arthur James arrived from seining, the former with 25 barrels salt mackerel and the latter, 59 barrels.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Georgia, Georges, 20,000 lbs fresh halibut, 10,000 lbs. salt cod, 4 swordfish.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream, 18,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish, 5000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Gov. Foss, Georges, 8000 lbs. fresh halibut, 165,000 lbs fresh fish, 7000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, via Portland.

Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert, swordfishing.
Sch. Arthur James, seining, 59 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Theodore Roosevelt, seining 25 bbls. salt mackerel.

Str. Mary F. Ruth, seining.

Sch. Elmer E. Gray, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Saladin, seining.

Sch. Pinta, seining.

Sch. Arabia, seining.

Sch. Little Fannie, seining.

Str. Bethulia, seining.

Str. R. J. Kellick, seining.

Str. Nashawena, seining.

Str. Ethel, seining.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, haddocking.

Sch. Jorgina, haddocking.

Sch. Selma, halibuting.

Sch. Ingomar, halibuting.

Sch. Elk, halibuting.

Sch. Cavalier, halibuting.

Sch. Avalon, halibuting.

Sch. Eugenia, salt drifting.

Sch. Leonora Silveria, Boston.

Sch. Harmony, Boston.

GOOD FARES OF GROUND FISH

T Wharf Also Has Liberal Supply of Swordfish and Mackerel Today.

The week started off well at T wharf, Boston, this morning, 23 fares including mackerel, swordfish and groundfish being on hand.

The largest off shore groundfish trips in are schs. Progress, Matchless, Manhasset, Ellen and Mary, John J. Fallon and Evelyn M. Thompson.

Four swordfishermen with 269 fish landed at the dock, selling at nine cents a pound.

Wholesalers quoted \$1.50 to \$2 a hundred weight on haddock, \$4 to \$4.75 for large cod, \$2 to \$2.25 for market cod, \$2 to \$3.50 for hake, and \$1.60 for pollock.

Boston Arrivals.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Thelma, 8000 mixed fresh mackerel.

Str. Enterprise, 25 bbls. mixed fresh mackerel, 5 bbls. tinker mackerel.

Str. Orion, 7000 small fresh mackerel, 7000 tinker mackerel.

Str. Water Witch, 1000 small fresh mackerel, 6000 tinker mackerel.

Str. Carrie and Mildred, 11 bbls. mixed fresh mackerel.

Str. Bethulia, 7000 small fresh mackerel, 7000 tinker mackerel.

Str. Foam, 31,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.

Sch. Progress, 25,000 haddock, 25,000 cod.

Sch. Matchless, 16,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 8000 pollock.

Sch. Manhasset, 15,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Delphina Cabral, 10,000 haddock, 25,000 cod.

Sch. Leonora Silveria, 15,000 haddock, 16,000 cod.

Sch. Robert and Arthur, 28,000 haddock, 600 cod, 2500 hake.

Sch. Pontiac, 30,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Ellen and Mary, 20,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 7000 pollock.

Sch. John J. Fallon, 25,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 10,000 hake, 8000 cusk.

Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, 2000 haddock, 4000 cod, 44,000 hake, 16,000 cusk, 800 halibut.

Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, 3000 haddock, 18,000 cod.

Sch. Muriel, 2500 haddock, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Topsail Girl, 66 swordfish.

Sch. Hockomock, 81 swordfish.

Sch. Massasoit, 39 swordfish.

Sch. M. Madeline, 83 swordfish.

Str. Naomi Bruce, 6000 small fresh mackerel, 5000 tinker mackerel.

Str. Whileaway, 7000 mixed fresh mackerel, 25 bbls. salt mackerel.

Str. Quartette, 4000 mixed fresh mackerel.

Haddock, \$1.50 to \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$4.75; market cod, \$2 to \$2.25; hake, \$2 to \$3.50; pollock, \$1.60; halibut, 10c per lb. for white and gray, swordfish, 9c per lb.; fresh mackerel 8c per lb. for medium, 5c for tinkers.

UGLY SWORDER TACKLED EHLER

Well Known Fisherman Has His Arm Badly Lacerated —Gets His Fish.

James Ehler, one of the crew of sch. Evelyn M. Thompson is suffering from a badly lacerated arm as the result of an encounter with a swordfish which became hooked up in the trawl last week.

Ehler got the fish and the lacerated arm on Thursday, as he was hauling trawls preparatory to making the run into Boston. The trawl pulled uncommonly hard, due to the fact that the swordfish had hooked itself and was struggling mightily.

Despite all its struggles however, the fish was pulled to the dory, where, according to "Jimmy", it "swashed its tail," cut a figure eight and made a jump over the fisherman's head while his boat was in the trough of the waves.

In its struggles to escape the big fish didn't clear him so completely but that it grazed Ehler's arm, tearing the skin badly. As it made its leap, "Jimmy" declares he succeeded in spearing the "sword" with his gaff.

Whereupon, as Ehler avers the fish turned in the water and attacked the boat, giving him a bad half hour before he had subdued it. Not until then did he realize he had been injured, but the realization came so convincingly that a mate had to row him back to the vessel with the catch.

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TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.75 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.
 Dried codfish, large \$4.37 1-2 per cwt.; medium, \$3.87 1/2.
 Eastern halibut codfish, large \$4.50; medium, \$4.
 Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.
 Cusk, large \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.
 Hake, \$1.50.
 Pollock, \$1.50.
 Haddock, \$1.50.
 Flitched halibut, 8 3-4 cents per lb.
 Salt mackerel \$20 per bbl. for large; \$17 for medium; \$7.50 for tinkers.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:
 Haddock, \$1 per cwt.
 Eastern cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.
 Western cod, large, \$2.35; medium, \$2; snappers, 75c.
 All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
 Hake, \$1.10.
 Cusk, large, \$1.70; medium, \$1.30; snappers, 50c.
 Dressed pollock, 80c.; round 70c.

Fresh herring, \$3 per bbl., for bait; \$1.50 to salt; \$1.60 to freezer.
 Fresh mackerel, 29c each for large, 18c for medium 8c per lb. for tinkers.
 Fresh bluebacks, \$2.50 per bbl., for bait; \$1 to freezer; 75c to salt.
 Bank halibut, 6 1-2 per pound for white and 4 1-2 per pound for gray; also 4 3-4 cts. per pound right through.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. A. Platt Andrew arrived at Canso Friday last and schs. Thomas S Gorton, Rex, Mary F. Curtis and Viking sailed from there on the same date.
 Schs. Sadie M. Nunan and Margaret arrived at Liverpool Friday last.

Ice Facts.

Only about half of the ice consumed in the larger cities of the United States is made by Jack Frost. The other half is the result of artificial production, all of which is an outcome of the very efficient ice-making machines.

Week's Receipts at T Wharf.

Arrivals of fresh groundfish at Boston for the week ending August 21 was 3,267,300 pounds from 80 arrivals and compared with 2,866,900 pounds from 68 arrivals for the same period in 1912.

Maine Lobster Fishermen Denounced Warden.

Lobster fishermen down Rockland way are bitter in their denunciations of lobster wardens; that is, lobster fishermen who wish to live up to the letter of the law regarding the catching of crustaceans, says the Portland Evening Express and Advertiser.

They say that it does no good for the state to go to the expense of artificially propagating and distributing baby lobsters if they are promptly caught and sold as soon as they become large enough to eat. It is claimed that "shorts" can be bought almost anywhere for eight and 10 cents apiece. The prophecy is made that unless something is done the lobster will be extinct within a decade.

This is simply bringing up for thrashing out a question that has been discussed since the passage of the 10 1-2 inch lobster law. One incontrovertible fact always stands out—Maine's present law can never be satisfactory so long as Massachusetts permits its fishermen to catch lobsters the legal length of which need not exceed nine inches.

Halibut Sales.

The halibut fares of schs. Waldo L. Stream and Georgia sold to the New England Fish Company today at six and one-half cents a pound for white and four and one-half cents a pound for gray.

The fares of schs. Monitor and John Hays Hammond went to the American Halibut Company at four and three-fourths cents a pound right through.

The fare of sch. Harmony sold to the New England Fish Company and sailed for Boston to take out at the company's branch at that place.

Modern Whaling in Japanese Waters.

The steam whaling industry of Japan had a very successful season last year. One company owing 20 whaling ships reporting a catch of 403 whales. The number of Japanese whaling ships is now limited to 30. The principal whaling grounds are off Urusan in Chosen, Satsuma and Hyuga in southeast Kushu, Tosa, on the south coast of Shikoku Island, and Maidzura on the south coast of Hon-do, the main island of Japan. The Chosen waters usually yield the best returns.

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SHARKS HARRY A HANDLINER

Capt. Johnson of the Gloucester schooner Hattie L. Trask, which vessel arrived at Portland Thursday from a two weeks' cruise on Georges, reports the trip just ended as one of the most exciting he ever experienced. His fare consisted of 18,000 pounds of salt cod which he will keep on board, and after refitting here will return to the banks to make another catch before going home. Halibut were reported very scarce on the Georges, and it was with the greatest difficulty that any catch was secured on account of the sharks, which the skipper says were never before so plenty on the banks. Big fellows they were, too, many of them measuring fully 10 feet in length, and half a dozen at a time would gather alongside the schooner, perfectly frantic in their actions, damaging the trawls, stripping the bait off the hooks and sometimes taking the latter with it. The schooner lost gear to the value of more than \$60 and will replace it at Portland in addition to taking on bait and ice.

The beam trawler Swell was in Friday with 70,000 pounds of mixed fish for the Burnham-Morrill Co.

The schooner Albert Black reached Portland late Friday afternoon to take on ice and stores before proceeding to the swordfish grounds.

The steamer Elthier which has just been fitted out with a new boiler, left Thursday for Monhegan in charge of Capt. McKown and crew to purchase bluebacks from the Monhegan trap fishermen for the Portland Cold Storage Co. The bluebacks are being caught in plentiful numbers in that vicinity according to reports.

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CATCH DOUBLE THAT LAST YEAR

Mackerel Seiners Continue to Make Hauls and Skippers Call the Outlook Good for Fall Fishing.

Nine of the little fleet of steamers down off Chatham made some hauls of small and tinker fresh mackerel yesterday and Saturday, six of which fares are at Boston this morning and three at Provincetown.

The crafts at Boston steamers, Thelma, Enterprise, Orion, Water Witch, Bethulia and Carrie and Mildred, with fares from 25 barrels to 14,000 fish in count.

Wholesalers paid eight cents a pound for mediums and five cents for tinkers at Boston this forenoon.

At noon today, steamers Naomi Bruce, Whileaway and Quartette were reported at Boston with fares of fresh mackerel.

At Provincetown.

Wire received by A. Cooney & Company this forenoon announces these arrivals at Provincetown:

Str. A. B. Nickerson, 15 barrels fresh tinker mackerel.

Str. Herbert and Emma, 24 barrels

fresh tinker mackerel.

Str. Nora B. Robinson, six fresh tinker mackerel, 32 bluebacks.

The Catch Thus Far.

The catch of salt mackerel fleet to date has been 3300 against 2403 barrels for the corresponding length of time in 1911.

Imports of new salt mackerel at Boston to date figure 3511, while for the same length of time in 1912, 6456 barrels were landed.

The fresh mackerel catch is double to that of last year. To date 34,231 barrels have been landed, compared with 18,182 barrels for the corresponding period of last year.

Imports of fresh mackerel at Boston to date amount to 10,077 barrels. In 1912, 3351 barrels were landed.

The catch of mackerel for the ending August 21 was 1194 barrels of fresh and 571 barrels salt. In the figures were, 1066 barrels and 163 barrels salt.

SOLD HALIBUT TO COLD STORAGE CO

Local Freezer Folks Bought Three Fine Trips Yesterday at Advance of What Halibut Companies Offered.

For the first time in the history of the local halibut fishery halibut fares were bought to put in cold storage, at this port yesterday, three fares, those of schs. Georgia, Waldo L. Stream and John Hays Hammond selling to the Gloucester Cold Storage and Warehouse Company.

Although storage halibut is nothing new, it is certainly a somewhat unusual departure in this city, for in recent years at least, the fares have generally sold direct to trade from the wholesalers.

With three fares of nice fish and

prices ruling low on account of the numerous arrivals and a well stocked market the past week, it is evident that there is an opportunity of making a dollar later on; at least the cold storage company is willing to make the experiment, and the trips were purchased.

The skippers were paid a little better price than they would ordinarily have received, they say and were satisfied with the move. The trip of John Hays Hammond sold at 10 cents a pound right through and that of schs. Georgia and Waldo L. Stream at four and one-half and six and one-half cents for white and gray.

HIGH FIGURE FOR MACKEREL

Salt mackerel reached top notch prices yesterday, when the 60 barrel fare of sch. Arthur James, Capt. Archibald Devine, after lively bidding sold at \$23 1-8 a barrel for medium and \$12 for tinkers to the Gloucester Mackerel Company.

The medium fish sold at 190 pounds to the barrel, while the tinkers sold at 200 pounds to the barrel.

No Mackerel Down Portland Way.

Not in years and perhaps never has there been such a scarcity of mackerel off this port as there has been this season, says the Portland Press. And the fishermen are at a loss to account for it. It is true that of late mackerel have not been as plentiful in this vicinity as they were 5 and 10 years ago but never, as far as the local fishermen have any knowledge, has there been a scarcity to compare with that of this year.

The mackerel began to make their appearance off the port the latter part of June, at least a fortnight earlier than they were expected. At first a few were caught with the herring and then later several small schools of tinkers were gathered in and the fishermen began preparing for the large

ones. It was expected that large mackerel would be schooling about the middle of July since the tinkers were early in making their appearance. In the middle of July failed to bring them nor did they appear the last of the month, and, to continue they have not appeared yet.

During the early part of August fishermen down around Monhegan Island did fairly well, but about a week but the fish they caught hardly more than mediums and a sprinkling of large mackerel. Then, however, the fish have disappeared entirely and none have been received here from the fishermen in days or more. What few are in the market have been shipped to the dealers and at a price that places them on the same footing with the herring of life.

The local fishermen say that mackerel appear hereabouts during the next four weeks no more will be seen here this season.

Provincetown Fishing Notes.

Captain Hatch and crew of schooner Sam and Priscilla landed two tons of mackerel a good week's work. Captain Ed Newcomb, J. S. Nickerson and Captain J. S. Nickerson also got catches of mackerel. Squid in large quantities have been taken in traps in the cove and the dory fleet of jiggers. A large number of vessels secured baitings and have gone into the freezers.

Plenty Squid at Provincetown.

Word from Provincetown received this forenoon that squid were plentiful there and a number of vessels were baiting.

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PORT OF GLOUCESTER.

Arrivals.

Sch. Annie M. Prebble, Boston for Maine ports.

Sch. F. H. Odiorne, New York for Rockport, Maine.

Starts Fertilizing Plant.

The Pacific Fish Products Co. completed its fertilizer plant at Port Townsend, Wn., last month and started operations on a small scale shortly after.

A successful test run was made July 19. According to J. F. Wright, manager of the company, the

plant is still in an experimental stage and the detailed plans of operation had not been decided upon.

Fishermen assured him they could supply sufficient dogfish to permit operating the plant the year around.

The plant has a capacity of from 15 to 20 tons of fertilizer a day. The machinery was all made to order as a

distinct process is required in the reduction of dogfish. The company has

also made some experiments in the reduction of kelp which it is the intention to utilize in connection with the

dogfish reduction. Mr. Wright states several well known kelp reduction theories have been tried but it was found these processes were of no commercial

value. However, further experiments will be made.